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In re Application of:

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Examiner: LOPEZ, Carlos N.

Serial No.: 09/930,693

Group Art Unit: 1731

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Title: Synthetic Quartz Glass and Method of Production

REPLY

Mail Stop Non-Fee Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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Sir:

In response to the Office action dated March 20, 2003, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 4 of this paper.